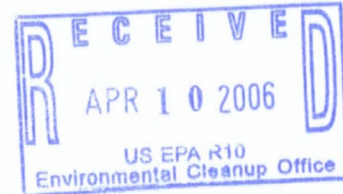


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April 6, 2006

Mr. Neil E. Thompson  
US EPA Region X  
1200 Sixth Avenue – ECL-113  
Seattle, WA 98101

Re: March 2006 Monthly  
Report

Dear Mr. Thompson:

This letter serves as the monthly progress report for March 2006, in accordance with Section X, Paragraph 29 of the RD/RA Consent Decree for the Tronox Incorporated (Tronox) site, in Soda Springs, Idaho.

March Activities

During the month of March, Tronox inspected the 10-acre pond and sampled the water for treatment testing. The landfill and cap remain covered with several feet of snow and are inaccessible. The fenced enclosures surrounding the pond, cap and landfill facilities are in good condition, and the gates are closed and locked. The landfill sump will be measured when conditions allow access to the facility. The 10-acre pond currently has about 22 inches of water at the south end of the pond.

The as-built report summarizing drainage improvements near the cap was forwarded to you during the first week of March. A draft design plan to eliminate the 10-acre pond and construct a landfill at the site was completed in March and was reviewed by Tronox. Water collected from the 10-acre pond was sent to a number of engineering firms to evaluate various treatment options. Tronox is currently awaiting results of these tests.

The RD/RA database and the master EPA database of ground and surface water quality for the site was updated and checked for errors in March. These data will be forwarded to you with the validation report on disk.

April/May Activities

During the months of April and May, Tronox will continue monitoring of the cap, landfill and 10-acre pond, and will monitor the completed drainage improvements following snow melt.

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Tronox will transmit the draft plans for the construction of two on-site landfill cells to the IDEQ for their review in April. These cells will be required to complete reclamation of the 10-acre pond facility and to contain pond liners from the 5- and 10-acre pond closures. Our intention is to meet with IDEQ to discuss these plans once IDEQ has had the opportunity to review the document. The results from the October 2005 ground and surface water sampling will also be validated and transmitted during this time period. During May, the first round of ground and surface water sampling for 2006 will be completed.

No community relation activities are planned for this period.

Problems or Delays

No delays are expected.

If you have any questions about the work or additional information is required with regards to the work described above, please contact me at (208) 547-3331, extension 230.

Sincerely,  
**Tronox Inc.**

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Boyd Schvaneveldt", written in a cursive style.

Boyd Schvaneveldt  
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